



**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL**

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Mackenzie Farkus
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Via email: 71592-53429584@requests.muckrock.com

RE: FOIA Request No. 19-01258-F

Dear Mackenzie Farkus:

This is in response to your April 10, 2019 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the United States Department of Education (ED) Office of Inspector General (OIG) for all OIG fraud reports concerning Simmons University, formerly known as Simmons College, from May 2016 through the date of search. This response is for the OIG only.

The OIG found no records responsive to your request.

For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA. See 5 U.S.C. § 552(c) (2006 & Supp. IV 2010). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist.

If you are not satisfied with my action on this request you may file an administrative appeal by writing within 90 calendar days of the date of this letter to the:

Inspector General
U.S. Department of Education
400 Maryland Avenue, S.W.
ATTN: FOIA Appeals
Washington, DC 20202-1500

A copy of your initial request, a copy of this letter and your statement of circumstances, reasons, and arguments should accompany your appeal letter.

You also have the right to seek assistance and/or dispute resolution services from our OIG FOIA Public Liaison or from the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS). The OIG FOIA Public Liaison is responsible, among other duties, for assisting in the resolution of FOIA disputes. OGIS, which is outside the Department of Education, offers mediation services to

resolve disputes between FOIA requesters and Federal agencies as a non-exclusive alternative to appeals or litigation.

You may contact the OIG FOIA Public Liaison or OGIS as follows:

Mail	Carla McKenzie OIG FOIA Public Liaison Office of the Inspector General U.S. Department of Education 400 Maryland Ave., SW Washington, DC 20202-1500	Office of Government Information Services National Archives and Records Administration 8601 Adelphi Road Room 2510 College Park, MD 20740-6001
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Seeking assistance from the OIG FOIA Public Liaison or OGIS does not affect your right, or the deadline, to pursue an appeal.

Sincerely,



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cc: FOIA Service Center